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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION (37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.116)**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 2, 2005, finally rejecting claims 15-27, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.